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REQUEST TO TRANSFER MATERIALS

SIR:

It is respectfully requested that the certified copies of Applications No. 9-167629 ("JP '629"), filed in Japan on June 24, 1997 and No. 9-310500 ("JP '500") filed in Japan on November 12, 1997 be transferred to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/094,156, filed June 9, 1998. JP '629 and JP '500 are not the applications on which the claim to priority of the above-identified application is based. JP '629 and JP '500 are the priority documents for Application Serial No. 09/094,156.

It is also requested that the certified copy of Japanese Application No. 9-169007 ("JP '007"), filed in Japan on June 25, 1997, filed in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/094,156 be transferred to the above-identified application. JP '007 is the application on which the claim to priority of the above-identified application is based. JP '007 does not form the basis for any claim of priority in Application Serial No. 09/094,156.

A similar request is also being filed in Application Serial No. 09/094,156.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney for applicant with any questions in regard to this matter.

By:

Respectfully submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows prior to examination on the merits:

In the Drawings

Please delete Figs. 1-17 as filed with the application and substitute the attached Figs. 1-7.

REMARKS

It is respectfully requested that the attached four (4) sheets of drawings containing Figs.1-7 be substituted for the drawings originally filed with this application. All of these drawings are described in the specification in the Brief Description of the Drawings and the reference numbers in the drawing figures are described in detail in the Description of Preferred Embodiments. In addition, support for this Amendment is found in the priority application, No. 9-169007 filed in Japan on June 25, 1997, which is expressly

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